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IMPROVED METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR SINTERING OF INORGANIC
MATERIALS AS WELL AS RESULTING
OBJECTS
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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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Sir:

Applicants in the above-referenced U.S. patent application hereby assert that they are entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

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